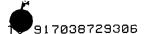
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Please replace the paragraph bridging pages 11-12 with the following:

--Exendin agonist compounds include exendin acids, for example exendin-3 acid [SEQ ID NO. 185: His Ser Asp Gly Thr Phe Thr Ser Asp Leu Ser Lys Gln Mct Glu Glu Glu Ala Val Arg Leu Phe Ile Glu Trp Leu Lys Asn Gly Gly Pro Ser Ser Gly Ala Pro Pro Pro Ser] and exendin-4 acid [SEQ ID NO. 186: His Gly Glu Gly Thr Phe Thr Ser Asp Leu Ser Lys Gln Met Glu Glu Glu Ala Val Arg Leu Phe Ile Glu Trp Leu Lys Asn Gly Gly Pro Ser Ser Gly Ala Pro Pro Pro Ser]. Preferred exendin agonist compounds

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